

# 2014-2015 Seminole Nation Princess Application



The Seminole Nation Princess' shall serve as Ambassadors, Role Models, Educators, and Representatives of Seminole Nation of Oklahoma.

The Seminole Nation of Oklahoma Princess' shall conduct themselves in a respectable and virtuous manner at all times. Seminole Nation Princess' are to adhere to the rules and regulations for Seminole Nation Princess' and Code of Conduct and the Coordinator's direction.

The Seminole Nation of Oklahoma Princess' participate in all relevant Princess Committee functions, quarterly meetings, cultural activities and tribal events in the Seminole Nation.

The Seminole Nation of Oklahoma Princess' shall write and submit a monthly activity report to the Princess Committee at the regular scheduled Committee meeting and a quarterly activities report to Princess Committee and to the General Council.

The princess' and their parent(s) and /or legal Guardian(s) and Sr. Ms. will work at all activities and fundraisers sponsored by the Princess Committee.

Applicants must not have been cited for a misdemeanor or felony or convicted of a felony or have pending charges against her person. Or be of questionable moral character.

If a Princess has decided to run for another title during her reign she must relinquish the Seminole Nation title to First Runner-up. In the event the runner-up is not qualified to fulfill the remaining reign. The Princess Committee has the authority to make an appointment or leave the vacancy unfulfilled. The deciding body is the Princess Committee of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma.

If any title holder of the Seminole Nation should not comply with the above stated requirements. She may be subject to termination of her title and the First Runner-up will assume the title and responsibilities.

## **Seminole Nation of Oklahoma Princess Guidelines**

Candidates must be at least 1/8 Seminole blood and enrolled with the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma.

No person may hold the same titles twice. (Exception, if there are not any contestants in the category then previous princess has the decision to hold title again or give the title to the previous 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up).

No Princess may hold two titles at the same time. (Example-Miss Seminole and Miss Indian Oklahoma) If selected for Seminole Nation Princess, she must relinquish her title before applying to for another title.

Applicant must not be pregnant or have ever bore a child. (Excluding Sr. Ms.) If a Princess becomes Pregnant she *must* relinquishes her title and return the crown, crown box and banner and Shaw to the Seminole Nation Princess Committee.

Applicant must have NEVER LIVED with a male OTHER than family member or have been married. (Excluding Sr. Ms.)

If a Princess decides to resign before the end of her term, she is to return the Tribal Crown, Crown Box, Banner and Shaw to the Princess Committee. Also she will be responsible for returning of the winning incentive money.

Seminole Nation Princess' and/or Parents/Guardians of princess' are responsible to have reliable transportation to and from events.

Seminole Nation Princess' must have verifiable telephone numbers at all times during reign for contact purposes.

Excluding Senior Miss, a princess cannot become married or engaged during her reign if she does, she *must* relinquishes her title and return the crown, crown box and banner and Shaw to the Seminole Nation Princess Committee.

All information will be verified by the Seminole Nation Princess Committee.

### **THE AGE REQUIREMENTS ARE AS FOLLOW:**

LITTLE MISS.....8-12 YEARS OF AGE  
JUNIOR MISS.....13-17 YEARS OF AGE  
MISS.....18-24 YEARS OF AGE  
SENIOR MS.....55 YEARS OF AGE OR OVER

**\*\*APPLICANT must be of age for their category by the date of pageant\*\***

**\*\*which will be September 17, 2014\*\***

## Check List:

- 1) Copy of Tribal Enrollment Card
- 2) Three (3) letters of personal references (CANNOT be written by a Family member(s))
- 3) Photograph of Contestant, this picture will also to be used in the Pageant Book for the contestant.
- 4) Essay: Titled "Why I want to be \_\_\_\_\_ Seminole Nation Princess" Essay must be typed and turned in WITH APPLICATION. (No essay is required for Little Miss contestants) Miss must have a 300 word minimum essay, Jr. Miss must have a 200 word minimum essay, Sr. Ms. must have a 150 word minimum essay.
- 5) A written Dress Descriptions for Introduction wear and contemporary wear must be turned in by the SECOND practice meeting.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS AUGUST 29, 2014 AT 4:30 PM AT THE SEMINOLE NATION OF OKLAHOMA HEADQUARTERS OFFICE. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS DEADLINE.

**\*\*\*INCOMPLETE APPLICATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED\*\*\***

Applications will be accepted by mail or hand-delivered to the Seminole Nation Tribal Complex. Mailing address is Seminole Nation Princess Committee, Attention: Couita Nocusee, Coordinator, P O Box 1498, Wewoka, OK 74884. For more information call Couita Nocusee at (580) 310-6179 or Cell (580) 320-6179.

Please read the following guidelines very carefully. This form will need to be read and signed by the contestant and her Parent(s) and/or Guardian(s) (excluding Sr. Ms.). The Princess must agree and adhere to the following guidelines.

## **TRAVEL**

The Princess Committee allows for some travel expenses of the Princesses as approved in the Princess Committee budget approved by the General Council. The parents and/or guardians are responsible for their own expenses. With the exception of those approved by the Princess Committee.

A travel itinerary will be established by the Princess Committee and must be followed by all Seminole Nation Princess'.

## **PARENT, GUARDIAN, AND SR. MS RESPONSIBILITIES**

It is the responsibility of the Parent, Guardian and Sr. Ms. (for herself) to provide any additional funds expended above the allowable cost paid by the tribe.

A Coordinator will be selected by the Princess Committee to travel with the Princesses as deemed necessary with expenses paid by the Seminole Nation princess committee. Parent(s) or Guardian(s) of Adult princess(s) may accompany at their own expense. If there are Out of State travels, regulations are in place within the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma, and will be followed according to the Travel Regulations/Policy.

## **CROWNS and CROWN BOXES**

The crown and crown boxes received by the Princess must be kept in clean good condition. You must notify the princess committee immediately should the crown or crown box become lost or damaged.

The crown and crown box is intended to pass from Princess to Princess through the coming years. You must return the crown and crown box at the end of your reign. You will participate in the crowning of the new Princess that follows you.

It is also the responsibility of the Parent/ Guardian and Sr. Ms. (for herself) for the replacement of the crown and crown box in case of loss or damage.

## **TRADITIONAL DRESS**

ALTHOUGH you may be affiliated with other tribes, you will be required to wear ONLY YOUR TRADITIONAL SEMINOLE CLOTHING and accessories during your reign as "Seminole Nation Princess".

It will be the responsibility of the Parent(s), Guardian and Sr. Ms. (for herself) to provide a minimum of (3) three different Traditional Clothing ensembles, which includes the dress accessories.

**SCHOLARSHIP**  
(Miss Seminole Applicants ONLY)

A scholarship will be awarded to the title winner of “Miss Seminole Nation” provided she is a high school student and /or currently enrolled in a college and/or vocational school. Miss Seminole Nation must provide the following documentation of enrollment on School Letterhead and maintain a 2.5 GPA.

An award will be paid as follows for High School students, she will received half of the scholarship at the beginning of the Second Semester and the balance at the end of school year.

College/Vocational Technical School will be paid after drop out period (9 weeks) has expired as pertaining to college/vocational technical school requirements.

If the title winner of Miss Seminole Nation should resign before the end of her term, she will be responsible to paying back the Scholarship award to the Seminole Nation Princess Committee.

I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the above guidelines. I also understand that these guidelines may be amended as determined by the Princess Committee.

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Princess Candidate Signature and Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature and Date

**Seminole Nation of Oklahoma 2014-2015 Princess Application**  
**(Please Print- if needed use separate sheet of paper)**

Category: (Please check one)

Little Miss:\_\_\_\_\_ Junior Miss:\_\_\_\_\_ Miss:\_\_\_\_\_ Senior Ms:\_\_\_\_\_

Full Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Address:\_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone:\_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone:\_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Tribal Clan:\_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Band:\_\_\_\_\_ Degree of Seminole Blood:\_\_\_\_\_

Indian Name & Meaning:\_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name:\_\_\_\_\_ Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_

School:\_\_\_\_\_ Grade:\_\_\_\_\_ GPA:\_\_\_\_\_

Achievements: (Awards, Honors, etc.)\_\_\_\_\_

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I affirm that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Princess Candidate Signature and Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature and Date

Specify one (1) talent to be presented and give a short description. Once talent is submitted to the Princes Committee, it CAN NOT BE CHANGED.

Traditional talent ONLY (minimum of 1 minute and maximum of 3 minutes)

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Examples of talents could be: Storytelling, Shell shaking, Singing, Arts& Crafts demonstration, etc. \*\*No Lord's Prayer in Sign Language\*\*